



Fatality #12 - June 29, 2004
Powered Haulage - NV - Gold Ore
Golden Phoenix Minerals Inc. - Golden Phoenix Mineral Ridge

METAL/NONMETAL MINE FATALITY - On June 29, 2004, a 43-year-old maintenance supervisor with 9 years mining experience was fatally injured at a surface gold operation. He was operating a water truck and apparently lost control as the truck was traveling down a grade. He either attempted to exit the cab or was ejected and was fatally injured. The truck traveled through a berm and came to rest about 50 feet below the edge of an embankment.



Best Practices

- Never operate a truck or moving machine without using a seat belt.
- Never attempt to jump from a moving truck or machine.
- Ensure adequate pre-operational checks are conducted on all self-propelled mobile equipment and that any defects found are promptly corrected.
- Ensure that service brakes will stop and hold equipment prior to operating mobile equipment.
- Operate trucks in an appropriate gear for the grade, load, and speed.

This is the 12th fatality reported in calendar year 2004 for the Metal and Nonmetal mining industries. As of this date in 2003, there were 13 fatalities reported. This is the 2nd fatality classified as Powered Haulage in 2004. There was one Powered Haulage fatality in the same period in 2003.